

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently amended) A method comprising:
~~identifying a plurality of attributes for each of a plurality of users with data processing devices;~~
~~selecting a group of users having one or more common attributes;~~
sending a request for a return signal into a wireless network to a plurality of users of said wireless network having data processing devices;
receiving from said wireless network respective return signals from each of said plurality of users, each of said return signals containing information describing its respective user;
receiving from said wireless network an inquiry generated by a first user of said wireless network over a network, said inquiry having predetermined responses associated therewith, and receiving from said wireless network an attribute provided by said first user as a criteria for identifying recipients of said inquiry;
automatically selecting a group of users from said plurality of users, each user of said group of users having said attribute, said selecting including analyzing said respective information of each of said plurality of users, said attribute being identifiable from said respective information of each of said selected group of users;
~~transmitting~~ sending said inquiry into said wireless network to said group of users ~~over a said network;~~
receiving from said wireless network responses from one or more users in said group of users over said network; and

~~forwarding sending~~ said responses into said network to said first user ~~over said network.~~

2. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of said~~ attributes is a ~~current~~ specific geographical location ~~of each of said users.~~

3. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of said~~ attributes is a specific relative distance ~~of each of said users~~ from said first user.

4. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of said~~ attributes is includes a specific ~~an age of each of said users.~~

5. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of said~~ attributes is ~~an~~ a specific occupation ~~of each of said users.~~

6. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of said~~ attributes is a specific sex ~~of each of said users.~~

7. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of said~~ attributes ~~is~~ information includes a home address of its respective user ~~each of said users.~~

8. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein said ~~one of said~~ attributes is ~~that each user appears~~ being listed in said first user's buddy list and wherein said method further comprises:

receiving from said wireless network a signal from said first user, said signal identifying users of said wireless network who are on said first user's buddy list;
adding to said respective information of each of those of said plurality of users who are on said first user's buddy list that he/she has been included in said first user's buddy list.

9. (Currently amended) The method as in claim 1 wherein ~~one of~~ said attributes is ~~that each user appears~~ being listed in said first user's address book and wherein said method further comprises:

receiving from said wireless network a signal from said first user, said signal identifying users of said wireless network who are listed in said first user's address book;

adding to said respective information of each of those of said plurality of users who are listed in said first user's address book that he/she has been included in said first user's address book.

10. (Original) A graphical user interface ("GUI") for generating an inquiry to be sent to a specified plurality of users comprising:

an inquiry region in which an inquiry may be typed;

an answer region in which a plurality of predetermined responses may be entered; and

a user selection region for selecting said plurality of users from a user list.

11. (Original) The GUI as in claim 10 wherein said list in said user selection region is generated based on one or more user characteristics specified by a first user.

12. (Original) The GUI as in claim 11 wherein said one or more characteristics includes a geographical location of each of said users.

13. (Original) The GUI as in claim 10 wherein said list in said user selection region comprises a buddy list of a user generating said inquiry.

14. (Original) The GUI as in claim 10 wherein said inquiry region is adjacent to said answer region.

15. (Original) The GUI as in claim 14 and said user selection region is adjacent to said answer region and said user selection region.

16. (Withdrawn) A method comprising:
collecting current geographical location data for a plurality of users on a wireless network;
transmitting said current geographical location data to a wireless device;
and
associating current geographical location data for each user with a corresponding user record in an application executed on said wireless device.

17. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 further comprising:
displaying said geographical location data within each of said corresponding user records.

18. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 further comprising:

refraining from transmitting said geographical location data for one or more users responsive to a request from said one or more of said users to refrain from transmitting said current geographical location data.

19. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 further comprising:

transmitting said geographical location data to a specified set of wireless devices responsive to a request from one or more of said users to only transmit said current geographical location data to said specified set of wireless devices.

20. (Withdrawn) The method as in claim 16 wherein said application is an address book application.